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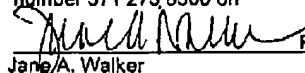
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Applicants: Achilefu et al.
Serial No.: 10/751,232
Filed: January 2, 2004
Title: **LIGHT SENSITIVE COMPOUNDS FOR INSTANT DETERMINATION OF ORGAN FUNCTION**
Group Art Unit: 1642
Examiner: Jones
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ELECTION

In response to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2005 in the above-referenced application, Applicants elect Group XX (W4 and X4 = S). Applicants further elect the following specie: W4 and X4 = S; R25, R27, R28, R29, R31 - R33, and R35 = H; R24, R26, R34, and R36 = SO₃T; R30 = glucose; Y4 and Z4 = (CH₂)₃SO₃T; a4 = 1; b4 = 2; V4 = single bond; T = negative charge.

Applicants request a one month extension for this Election, and authorize the Examiner to charge the \$120.00 extension fee to Deposit account No. 23-3000. Should any other fees or surcharges be deemed necessary, the Examiner has authorization to charge fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

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The Examiner is invited to contact applicant's undersigned representative with any questions.

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